## **Mint Brownie Bites**

Recipe featured in Candy Coated Christmas, courtesy of Ree Drummond

Special equipment: a mini muffin pan



Level: Easy Total: 35 min Active: 20 min Yield: 18 servings

## Ingredients:

## **Baking spray**

2 ounces unsweetened chocolate

50 whole chocolate mints, such as Andes

1 stick plus 1 tablespoon butter, softened

1 cup sugar

2 large eggs

3/4 cup all-purpose flour

1/4 teaspoon mint extract

1 ounce bittersweet chocolate, chopped fine

## **Directions:**

Preheat the oven to 325 degrees F. Spray a 24-well nonstick mini muffin pan generously with baking spray.

Melt the unsweetened chocolate in a microwave-safe bowl in the microwave. Remove from the microwave and stir in 8 mints until all melted. Let cool slightly.

In the bowl of a stand mixer with the paddle attachment, cream 1 stick of the butter with the sugar. Beat in the eggs one at a time. With the mixer on low, slowly drizzle in the cooled chocolate mixture, mixing until combined. Add the flour and mix thoroughly. Scrape the sides of the bowl with a rubber spatula, add the mint extract and mix again.

Using a tablespoon or small cookie scoop, scoop the batter into the prepared mini muffin pan. Bake until the edges are set and a toothpick comes out clean, 11 to 15 minutes. Let rest in the pan 5 minutes and then turn upside down out of the pan and allow to cool.

Combine 30 to 36 mints in a microwave-safe bowl with the remaining 1 tablespoon butter and the bittersweet chocolate. Microwave and stir until melted and smooth.

Dip the brownie bites in the chocolate, concentrating on the top "cone" part. Allow to set for a few minutes. Chop the remaining mints and sprinkle them on the top. Set in the freezer for 10 minutes if you need them to set right away. Yum!





